



June 28, 2022 to July 05, 2022

## POLICE CRIME REPORT

## YOUR SUMMER HOME IMPROVEMENT PROJECT CAN PREVENT CRIME, PART 2

The National Institute of Justice shows that Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) is effective at reducing crime.

CPTED uses landscaping, architecture, and home-design to reduce opportunities to perform and conceal crime and evoke a sense of neighborly cohesion and care.

We're highlighting a principle of CPTED one-at-a-time to inspire you to make your summer home-improvement project also a crime-reduction project.

## Principle 2: Allow for natural surveillance

The value of surveillance for crime control, including the mere perception of being watched, has been understood by criminologists for centuries.

In the context of CPTED, experts advise that residents should maximize their ability to casually observe their homes and yards with lighting and landscaping. Specifically, ensure that you have clear, well-lit sightlines throughout your property.

You may want to trim landscaping next to your home windows, switch your exterior lighting to bright LEDs, and add seating within attractive outdoor spaces to encourage spending time outdoors. If you're installing a fence, consider one that allows for some sight through instead of a fence that's completely solid. Finally, relocate sensitive activities – such as where children play – to an area where guardians can easily see them at-a-glance.

Learn more about CPTED from the City of Baltimore by clicking here.

If you have a crime or concern to report, you can call the Rockville City Police Department at:

Non-Emergency: 240-314-8900

Emergency: 9-1-1

We provide a weekly report of serious crime to serve as an overview of police activity occurring within City Limits. Please note this summary does not include every reported incident that has occurred during this time frame and that the words "arrested" and "charged" do not imply guilt.

## **INCIDENTS**

700 block of King Farm Boulevard, a woman found \$600 in jewelry missing from her room's jewelry box in a retirement community between 06/17/22 and 06/30/22.

800 block of King Farm Boulevard, witnesses heard several gunshots at a parking garage at 12:23 p.m. on 06/30/22.

Unit block of Maryland Avenue, a resident found his black 2021 Honda Accord missing after locking it in a secured parking garage between midnight on 06/27/22 and 9:30 a.m. on 06/28/22.

Unit block of Crofton Hill Court, after a neighbor confronted her about parking, the complainant found a large scratch on her car by 8:25 a.m. at 06/30/22.

Unit block of Monroe Place, the complainant reports that after spending some time with a friend in her room she was forcibly raped. This occurred at approximately 5:00 p.m. on 6/30/22.

1700 block of Rockville Pike, an unknown subject reportedly solicited the complainant for sex and, when she refused, he followed her and repeatedly struck her. **The subject is described** as:

White male—medium build, short brown hair, blonde beard, last seen wearing a white shirt



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